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| | DECODING SYSTEM AVAILABLE FOR COMPRESSED DATA STREAMS FOR CONCURRENTLY REPRODUCING STABLE PICTURES METHOD FOR DECODING COMPRESSED DATA STREAMS AND INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM FOR STORING PROGRAMMED INSTRUCTIONS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE METHOD | | |

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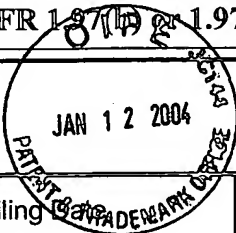
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